

Whatever You Do

HYMN TUNE: ST. DENIO #1

"Whatever you do to the least ones of these,
I tell you in truth that you do unto me!"
Lord Jesus, you taught us! May we learn anew
That when we serve others, we also serve you.

When poor, waiting children pray hunger will end,
When those long-forgotten cry out for a friend,
When thirsty ones whisper, "O Lord, where are you?" —
We hear, in their longing, that you're calling, too.

In prisons and jails, Lord, we find a surprise;
We see you in people whom others despise.
At hospital bedsides we offer a prayer
And find, when we visit the sick, you are there.

"Lord, when did we see you?" Your teaching is clear
That when we serve others, we're serving you here.
And when your church heeds you and helps those in pain,
Then out of the chaos, hope rises again.

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
10:00 AM

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5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts
April 24, 2022

"The only requirement to belong is the experience of need. Which means, of course, everyone belongs." - Erika Marksbury

WE GATHER

Prelude

Joyous Morning

Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

We Cross the Threshold

Because Everyone Needs

What Gift Can We Bring? #370 vs. 1 (Choir only)

What gift can we bring, what present, what token?
What words can convey it, the joy of this day?
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
what song can we offer in honor and praise?

Calling on God

Opening Prayer

Dwight Decker

Let us pray together:

God of New Life, we come this day making a joyful noise to you. We come into your presence here with gladness and singing because you made us and in you, we find our belonging. When we hear your word we remember that everyone belongs in your family because each and every one of us need love, connection, and purpose. Thank you for bringing us together this day. May your Spirit blow powerfully through our worship and through our lives. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen

*stand as you are able

CENTRE CHURCH ALL-AGES EVENT

Sunday, April 24
after the All-Church Presentation



FARMING SINCE 1695
Richardson's Farm



Great Pie Challenge

SUNDAY, MAY 1
AFTER WORSHIP

Sign-ups begin on Sunday, March 27
so pull out your recipes

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

"Hasten now to Galilee," Alleluia!
"Tell the others what you see!" Alleluia!
With excitement trembling, Alleluia!
Off they run good news to bring, Alleluia!

Christ appears in full array, Alleluia!
Sing with joy this Paschal day, Alleluia!
Christ now from the dead is raised Alleluia!
Holy Trinity be praised, Alleluia!



Opening Hymn

**Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

#240
vs. 1, 4, 5

WE PROCLAIM

Mini Message

Who is in Need?

Laraine Wilson

The Word in Music

Standing at the Future's Threshold

Gregory

The Gospel

Matthew 25:34-40

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Dwight Decker

Response

L: A Word of God that is still speaking,
P: Thanks be to God.

The Message

"Because Everyone Needs"

Rev. Nancy

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

WE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Call to the Offering

Offertory *God Shall Wipe Away All Tears* Peery

*Hymn of Praise (unison) Tune: Old Hundredth

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Living God, whom we adore**

*Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

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WE GO OUT Benediction

Postlude

Make a Joyful Noise Ritter

Thought for the Week

William Sloane Coffin once said,

*"I am not my brother's keeper, my sister's keeper, [my sibling's keeper]. I am my brother's brother, my sister's brother, [my sibling's brother]."
What is the distinction he is making here? Why is it important?*



Our ushers today are David Bjorkman and Michael Rottman.

The flowers on altar this morning are given by Karen Nascembeni in loving memory of her husband, Steven Richard.

Worship Notes:

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